

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - FEBRUARY 2, 1995

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Pikeville met in Special Meeting on Thursday, February 2, 1995 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Hall Public Meeting Room at 260 Hambley Boulevard.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Steven D. Combs called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Commission Members present upon call of the roll were as follows:

MAYOR: STEVEN D. COMBS  
COMMISSIONER: KENNY BLACKBURN  
SHARON CLARK  
EUGENE DAVIS

Commissioner Walter "Smokey" Blankenship was absent.

The Special Meeting was called for the following purposes:

1. TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING WALLEN & CORNETT TO PERFORM AUDIT SERVICES ON THE PSG MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT
2. TO CONSIDER DISCIPLINARY CHARGES AGAINST JOHNNY P. MEADE, JR.

PSG AUDIT: Commissioner Blackburn advised that he had asked for this item to be placed on the agenda. He reported that he had checked the PSG bills during the last meeting and found some discrepancies in their maintenance account. Commissioner Blackburn made the motion to authorize Wallen & Cornett to perform an audit for the year 1994. Mayor Combs submitted an amendment to the motion to include an audit of the use of the City purchased gasoline which is dispensed through pumps at the Island Creek Headquarters. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Upon call of the roll, the motion carried 4 - 0.

DISCIPLINARY CHARGES: Bernard Pafunda, representing Police Officer, Johnny P. Meade, Jr., made a request to the Commission that the hearing be conducted by the entire Commission. City Attorney Davis advised that only a quorum is necessary to hear the charges.

Mr. Pafunda advised the Commission of another matter to which he had taken exception. He reported that it had been announced during the Mayor's public radio program of the fact that a Disciplinary Hearing would be conducted on this date and would be a public and open meeting. He acknowledged the presence of the news media and ascertained their presence was a result of that announcement. City Attorney Davis advised the Commission that Officer Meade has the option to choose whether the hearing will be held in open or in closed session. Mr. Pafunda argued that his client did not have that option at this point. He advised that the law provides that no public statement will be made by any person with respect to the charges. He requested that the hearing be delayed until Commissioner Blankenship could attend and upon there being no public statement to be made at this time. City Attorney Davis argued that the Commission had other business to attend to and further explained that each time the Commission meets together, the meeting is public. He advised the Commission to adjourn to closed session to hear the charges. Mr. Pafunda continued to debate the point of whether a full Commission had to be present to hear the charges. He told the Commission that he would raise that issue.

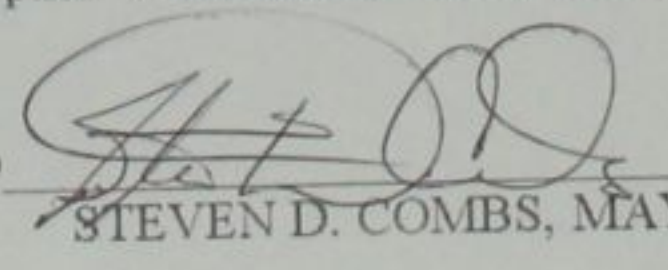
Pursuant to KRS 61.810 Section 3, paragraph (1) (f), Commissioner Davis made the motion to adjourn to executive session to consider disciplinary charges against Police Officer Johnny P. Meade, Jr. Commissioner Blackburn seconded the motion. Upon call of the roll, the motion carried 4 - 0. (Adjournment time: 6:17 p.m.)

At 6:55 p.m., Commissioner Davis made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn to reconvene to regular session. Upon call of the roll, the motion carried 4 - 0.

City Attorney Davis advised that the disciplinary hearing will be postponed upon agreement of both parties until Wednesday, February 8, 1995, at 3:30 p.m.

Mayor Combs administered the oath to the individuals who had been subpoenaed to testify in the hearing to compel their attendance at the February 8, 1995 hearing without the necessity of further subpoena.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Davis made the motion to recess until Wednesday, February 8, 1995 at 3:30 p.m. Commissioner Blackburn seconded the motion. Upon call of the roll, the motion carried 4 - 0.

APPROVED   
STEVEN D. COMBS, MAYOR



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ATTEST:

Karen Harris  
KAREN HARRIS, CITY CLERK

